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Dear Neighbors,

I began my city council term just over five weeks ago and made a commitment to making sure your priorities are addressed in the coming fiscal year. In order to accomplish this, it is important to gain a full understanding of all that is being planned and implemented by your city government and how these efforts impact District 6.

Since the inauguration on June 19th, I have personally met with or been briefed by several City departments or initiatives including the Alamo Area MPO, HUD Action Plan, City Audit Plan, Transportation and Capital Improvement (TCI), City Budget Review, San Antonio Fire Department (SAFD), Parks and Recreation, Climate Action and Adaptation Plan, Center City Development and Operations, Office of Military and Veteran's Affairs, Infrastructure and Management Program, San Antonio Police Department (SAPD), and the Bexar County District Attorney's Office. Our team will work with each of these office as we strive to increase public safety, serve the needs of veterans, tackle traffic solutions, and protect our green spaces.

It is also a priority to engage with non-governmental agencies and organizations whose work is vital to creating a thriving city. I have also met with representatives of the San Antonio River Authority, San Antonio Housing Authority, SA Tomorrow, Pre-K 4 SA, Google Fiber, VIA

Metropolitan Transit, and a Congressional Town Hall on the status of Domestic Violence in San Antonio and Bexar County.

Finally, City Council board appointees perform invaluable public service by broadening the forum for community input and by enhancing the processes of democracy. Working with citizen volunteers is a privilege. I have met with or will meet with current District 6 appointees to hear about the status of the work of each board or commission. Our team is seeking applications to fill vacancies on several other boards. Please see below for information on how to apply.

It is my honor to serve the people of District 6. I will always seek your input as we move forward together. Have a safe and pleasant weekend, neighbors!

Yours in service,

Melissa Cabello Havrda Councilwoman, District 6

Meet the Team: Neighborhood Engagement Officer Matthew Baiza

Mr. Matthew Baiza is one of your District 6 Neighborhood Engagement Officer. Matthew was born and raised in northwest San Antonio and graduated valedictorian of John Jay Science and Engineering Academy. Matthew brings significant experience in advocacy, constituent relations, public policy, and education to the District 6 team.



Matthew holds a bachelor's degree from Sanford University with expertise in

both political science and sociology. As an undergraduate, he founded the Stanford Association of Students for Sexual Assault Prevention and served as a constituent relations fellow with the Stanford University student government. He participated on multiple policy work groups on campus and was also an avid participant in the a cappella group, Stanford Mixed Company.

Matthew has worked as an intern in the offices of Congressman Joaquin Castro and San Antonio City Council District 4 City Councilman Rey Saldaña. He has also been a field organizer for a 2018 Congressional campaign and during the 2019 municipal elections.

Matthew is a graduate of Leadership SAISD and was named a 2017 Truman Scholarship Finalist. His plans for the future include pursuing a master's degree in Public Policy and attending law school.

Matthew is a District 6 resident and is enthusiastic about serving as your Neighborhood Engagement Officer. He can be reached at matthew.baiza@sanantonio.gov or 210-207-3749.

Looking for An Opportunity to Serve Your Community?



Are you interested in joining a City of San Antonio Board or Commission?

The following committees have immediate openings and will be filled asap. If you have interest or expertise related to SAWS or Zoning, please email Matt Baiza directly at:

matthew.baiza@sanantonio.gov:

San Antonio Water System 2019 Rate Advisory Committee

Zoning Commission



The office of District 6 also seeks applications to fill the vacancies below. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

Transportation Advisory Board

City Commission on Veterans Affairs

Affirmative Action Advisory Committee

Citizens' Environmental Advisory Committee

City/County Joint Commission on Elderly Affairs

City Bond Oversight Commission

San Antonio Housing Trust

City of San Antonio Higher Education Student Advisory Board (College students only)

Click here to apply today!

This Week in District 6



Councilwoman Cabello Havrda joined **Northwest Crossing Association** the **Community Workers Council** meeting this week to seek input on budget priorities for the coming fiscal year. The District 6 team is committed to attending every HOA and neighborhood association meeting to hear directly from you. Don't belong to an HOA? Please call or come into your D6 field office to let us know what's happening in your neighborhood.



In celebration of their 69th birthday, Whataburger gave back to the community with a week of volunteer events and donations. In District 6, Whataburger has committed to the construction of a children's playground on the site of the future Timber Ridge Park on Rim Rock Trail!

Free Fun at San Antonio Libraries July 26-28



Color Club: BROWN DAY

Great Northwest Branch Library (9050 Wellwood, 78250)

Friday, July 26 10:15am

BROWN stories, games and activities will be the main course today. Wear BROWN in honor of the day.

Literacy Caravan

Great Northwest Branch Library (9050 Wellwood, 78250)

Friday, July 26

2 - 4pm

Come see the San Antonio Public Library Foundation Literacy Caravan! A Free book will be given to each child who boards.

MAGIC TREE HOUSE CLUB #5

Great Northwest Branch Library (9050 Wellwood, 78250)

Friday, July 26

2pm

NIGHT OF THE NINJAS-- Learn about Annie and Jack and their exciting journeys as they travel through time and space. Crafts, games, drawing, puzzles, stories--it will all be there. Bring the whole family!

Teen Time

Potranco Branch Library (8765 State Hwy. 151, #102, 78245)

Friday, July 26

2 - 3pm

Join us every week for Teen Time! Each week will we do something different. Watch movies, play music, video or tabletop gaming, crafting, making delicious food, or just hanging out. Come and see for yourself! Teens 13-18 only, please.

Guerra Chess Club

Guerra Branch Library (7978 Military Dr. W., 78227)

Friday, July 26

3-5pm

Summer Food Program

Potranco Branch Library (8765 State Hwy. 151, #102, 78245)

Friday, July 26

4 - 5pm

Join us for a nutritious snack at the library this summer. Snacks are provided by the San Antonio Food Bank and will be offered on Tuesdays and Fridays from 4pm-5pm. Ages 1-18 are welcome.

Come and Go Crafts

Potranco Branch Library (8765 State Hwy. 151, #102, 78245)

Saturday, July 27

All Day

Express yourself! Come to the Potranco library for creative, self-directed craft activities. All ages welcome; younger children may need adult assistance.

I Heart Vinyl

Potranco Branch Library (8765 State Hwy. 151, #102, 78245)

Sunday, July 28

All Dav

This day-long event showcases Potranco Branch Library's stellar collection of classic and contemporary vinyl.

American Sign Language Meet up

Potranco Branch Library (8765 State Hwy. 151, #102, 78245)

Sunday, July 28

2-4pm

Meet others in our community who are interested in American Sign Language, Deaf Culture, and other related educational and community resources.

311 Service Requests



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Council District 6

Report from Jul 13, 2019 to Jul 19, 2019



- Animal Care Services
- . DSD / Code Enforcement
- · Metro Health
- · Parks & Recreation
- Solid Waste Management
- . Trans & Cap Improvements





DEPARTMENT REQUESTS & TOP 3 SERVICES



Animal Care Services 113

Stray Animal - 29 Aggressive Animals(Non-Critical) - 19 Injured Animal(Critical) - 13



Parks & Recreation 38

Small Equipment Repair - 6 Playgrounds - 5 Graffiti All - 4



DSD/Code Enforcement 335

Overgrown Yard/Trash - 102 Graffiti All - 52 Vacant Lot All - 26



Solid Waste Management 368

Cart Exchange Request - 77 No Pickup - 73 Damaged Cart - 53



Metro Health 7

Public/Semi-Public Pools/Spas - 2 Working without a License - 1 Food Poisoning - 1



Trans & Cap Improvements 141

Pot Hole Repair - 27 Traffic Signal Ops and Main - Emer - 11 Drainage Channel/Debris Removal - 11

CLOSED SERVICE REQUESTS BY DEPARTMENT

Department	Closed Request	Closed within SLA*	Closed w/in SLA FYTD
Animal Care Services	113	88%	80%
DSD/Code Enforcement	405	88%	90%
Metro Health	7	100%	77%
Parks & Recreation	94	88%	87%
Solid Waste Management	441	86%	93%
Trans & Cap Improvements	144	92%	94%

TOP 5 CLOSED SERVICE REQUESTS

Service Requests	Closed Requests	Closed within SLA*
Overgrown Yard/Trash	142	92%
No Pickup	105	86%
Cart Exchange Request	86	86%
Damaged Cart	71	85%
Graffiti All	60	93%

(SLA) - Service Level Agreements vary by request type

COSA Office of Emergency Management (SAOEM) Invites Public to Citizen Preparedness Workshop

Service Level Agreement (Allocated time to address request)



You are invited to attend the 10th Annual Citizen Preparedness Workshop on September 14, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the San Antonio Office of Emergency Management (SAOEM). The purpose of this event is to equip citizens with the confidence, skills, and tools you need to recover after an emergency.

Representatives from City Departments and other support organizations will be available to discuss topics such as debris disposal, animal care during an emergency, power outages, and severe weather.

A light breakfast will be served. For additional information about the workshop, contact Ashley Carter at ashley.carter@sanantonio.gov.

Registration: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/10th-annual-citizen-preparedness-workshop-registration-65271914052

**This meeting site is wheelchair accessible. The accessible entrance and accessible visitor parking spaces are located on 8039 Challenger Drive, San Antonio, Texas 78235. Auxiliary Aids and Services are available upon request.

ASL interpreters will be provided at the event.

For assistance, call 210-206-8551.

Technology Access Program at Goodwill Services of SA



COSA Metro Health Honored

The *San Antonio Metropolitan Health District* was honored with the Model Practice Award at the 2019 Annual Conference of the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO). The award celebrates local health departments for developing programs that demonstrate exemplary and replicable best practices in response to a critical local public health need. The "Healthy Neighborhoods Program" was one of 53 local programs to receive the prestigious *Model Practice Award*.

Healthy Neighborhoods is an innovative place-based childhood obesity prevention program in which community health workers, serve

as health educators, connectors, and community organizers who empower residents to become active voices of the community. Community health workers work closely with a high-health disparity but asset-rich neighborhood to implement policy or environmental change projects. By working with families in economically disadvantaged communities that experience health disparities, Healthy Neighborhoods supports environments that can lead to families developing healthy habits that will last a lifetime and have the potential to shift a community closer to achieving equitable health outcomes. Projects conducted by Healthy Neighborhoods are implemented with community support and partnerships and the health change projects that this program supports will last long after the funding cycle is complete.

Read more about these award-winning programs <u>here</u>



Youth Graffiti Abatement (GAP)

The Graffiti Abatement Program (GAP) has partnered with the Parks & Recreation Department to host a Family Volunteer Day THIS Friday, July 26th at Martinez Park from 9-10:30am. Activities are geared toward youth ages 5-10 years and their parent or guardian.

Youth will learn about graffiti by listening to a book reading of "Graffiti in Tahiti", play a Graffiti Bingo game, do a craft and finish up with painting over graffiti at the park. This is a free and educational opportunity, but space is limited!

To sign-up, call 210-207-2899 or email henry.arredondo@sanantonio.gov.



The Future of Pet Sales

Hey District 6! Animal Care Services wants to hear what you think about laws on pet sales in our community. Right now, it's against the law to breed or sell dogs or cats, puppies or kittens without a permit from ACS. Should those ordinances change? Let us know what you think by taking this brief survey and your feedback will shape future recommendations for City Council. Thank you for your time-Your voice can change your community! Link directly to the survey at

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XTY2F6T



Shrink and Save

The Solid Waste Management Department is currently holding a "Cart Downsizing" Contest. The deadline to downsize your cart is August 17th to to be entered to win a pair of tickets to watch the San Antonio Football Club (SAFC) on Saturday, August 24th.

For more information, visit the <u>Solid Waste Management Department</u> website.



VIA Visiting Your Neighborhood

VIA Metropolitan Transit is in the process of reaching out to Neighborhood and Homeowners Associations requesting to speak and provide general information regarding their services.

Interested in having them join your meeting?

Contact VIA at gcr@viainfo.net or call (210) 362-2389.



Food for the Summer

Throughout the school year, thousands of children in San Antonio receive free or reduced meals through their school's free or reduced meal program.

During the summer months many children are left without these nutrition resources and are undernourished and hungry. To address this issue, the San Antonio Food Bank created the Summer Meals Program to provide children with free meals throughout the summer.

The Summer Meals Program targets school-aged children under the age of 18. The meals are distributed to partnering organizations that are dedicated to providing for San Antonio's less fortunate children.



San Antonio Food Bank Summer Meals Program

NUTRITIOUS SUMMER MEALS FOR KIDS!

Find healthy summer meals in your community this summer.



Free for children 18 years old and under.

June 3rd—August 23rd, 2019

To Find A Meal Near You Call: (210) 431–8326

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.





The San Antonio Food Bank is supported by a grant from the S.L. Gimbel Foundation

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